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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a list of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorney in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56. A copy of each document is also being submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form 1449.

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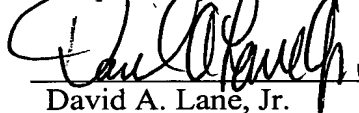
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Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 832-1197

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